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{On an unknown planet}

Prince Lotor awakens in an unfamiliar, yet extremely luxurious bedroom. This is the first time that he has opened his eyes since his battle with Keith. "Where am I?" he groaned hoarsely.

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::Safe:: someone spoke to him in his mind.

"Who's there!!!" Lotor demanded trying to sit up, but finding that he was still too weak.

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::Easy Lotor you are still very weak:: again there was that almost familiar voice in his head.

"You freed me from that Prison on Dreul and then healed my wounds?" Lotor glanced around the suite but saw no one.

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:: Yes, Lotor but there is a price that you must pay in order for you to keep your freedom. :: The voice was now even louder in his mind.

"I bow down to no one!!!" Lotor roared.

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:: You owe me your life for the second time in your life, Lotor. This time I intend to collect what has always been meant to be mine. :: Queen Merla walked out of the shadows and into the light so that he could see her.

"Merla!!!" Lotor's eyes widened in surprise.

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::Hello Lotor::

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"But you turned good and joined up with our enemy?!?"

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::Goodness is dull and boring:: she smiled down at him. "You needed me and I came."

"What kind of game are you trying to play, Merla?" Lotor growled as he started up at her luminous violet eyes.

"No game my love, you were dying and I saved you. Your life now belongs to me and i intend to keep it." Merla watched as the emotions played across his face. "Keith and Allura have been married for almost a year now, so that part of your life has ended."

"She will still be mine!!" Lotor snarled.

"She is lost to you forever."

"What do you want Merla?"

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::You, that is all that I have ever wanted and we will be married by the end of the next Lunar cycle:: Merla sent a mental command into his mind and Lotor instantly fell back to sleep.

"Sleep well my love." she bent down and kissed him. She knew that a part of him still loved her and that was enough for now.

{4 months later}

Lotor is back to his old self again and is dying for some major pay-back. "It is time that the universe felt my wrath again." Lotor found his wife near their fleet of ships.

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::Very well Lotor, but I will remain here while you go and have your fun hurting Princess Cassandra.:: Merla did not want to be near him when he discovered that Keith and Allura were now the proud parents of 9month old triplets.

"I will see you when I return." Lotor pulled her to him for a long kiss good-bye and then boarded one of their battle cruisers.

"I will not be here." she whispered softly. She knew that she was now carrying his heir.

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Lance sat in his lion, brooding over the actions of, the love of his life, Princess Cassandra. She was now the proud Aunt of Arus's little darlings, Keith's nine month old baby girls.

"What has gotten into Cass! All that she wants to talk about lately are the babies!!! It's almost as if she wants one of her own!!" Lance grumbled as he polished the consul of his lion until it gleamed.

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\* If that is what the problem was, then he was going to get as far away from those little darlings as possible!\*

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"Koran, Black Lion has almost been fitted with those new modifications that we invented just in case of...." Keith's conversation was cut short, as he caught sight of his nine-month-old baby girl, as she toddled towards him. She was clad only in a bright red diaper and wore a cute little bow in her jet-black hair.

"Don't look now, but we are about to be invaded by a runaway baby." Keith grinned as little Andromeda held her arms up to him.

"Da!!!" she gurgled blinking up at him with her huge Amber colored eyes.

"Come here you!" he chuckled and scooped her up into his arms. "How did you escape from Nanny?" He lifted her even higher in the air.

"Da!!Da!!" she squealed happily. She could see Black Lion on the control rooms main computer screen. "Mine!!" she reached towards the screen.

"No Andy, that is Daddy's lion." Keith explained to his child.

Who merely blinked at him, with her huge amber eyes, shook her head of soft curls, and said the only full word that she knew. " Mine!!"

"She sure did learn that word fast." Koran chuckled highly amused about the entire situation.

"Tell me about it! The only thing that her sisters can even attempt so far sound like Da Da or Ma Ma." Keith cuddled Andy against his chest.

"Koran?!" Nanny's sharp voice floated into the room.

"Uh-oh kiddo looks like you've been busted." Keith warned her but the baby only had eyes for the image of the lion on the huge screen."

"In here Nanny. What's wrong now?" Koran sighed.

"Andromeda Marie seems to have wandered off from the nursery and I can't seem to find her anywhere in the castle!" Nanny looked frazzled.

"It's okay Nanny, she just wanted her Daddy." Keith ignored the glare that Nanny was giving him.

"This is no place for a baby!" she was not at all pleased with either of them.

"Nanny calm down, after all there was no harm done." Koran tried to prevent another battle from occurring between Nanny and Keith over the girls.

"Mine!" Andy still had eyes only for Black Lion.

"Oh! No you don't young lady!! One princess in the Voltron Force is quite enough!" Nanny scolded the baby and went to take her out of Keith's arms.

"Da!!!!!" she screamed in protest and clung to her father's neck.

"Easy angel, Daddy has to take his lion for a ride." Keith tried to pry her off of him, only to find that she began to scream even louder.

"Come on young lady, time for all little princess's to take their naps." Nanny reached for her again.

"Da!!Da!!" she wailed refusing to budge from her father's arms.

"Look Nanny, it's obvious that she isn't going to leave me. So, I would suggest that you go and keep an eye on Alex and Ariel." Keith ordered her in a soft, but firm voice. He held Andy even closer to him and began to rock her back and forth in his arms.

"But you highness!!! This is no place for a baby!! She should be in the nursery with her sisters!!" Nanny protested.

"Nanny, I am more than capable of looking after my own daughter!!" Keith snarled.

"Koran, will you please talk some sense into Keith and explain to him that this is no place for a nine month old baby!!!" Nanny fumed.

"Nanny, I can't make him do anything! He just happens to be the King!" Koran glared at her. He was so tired of the same battle that had been going on between Keith and Nanny for over six months now.

"If she is going to be allowed to stay here with Keith, then I will have no choice but to inform Allura about this!!"

"Well then why don't you go and tell Allura all about this, Nanny!! I will not sit back and let you raise my children!!! They are mine! Not yours and I will be the one to raise them not you!!!!" Keith roared down at her before he stalked out of the room with Andy still in his arms.

"Where does that man think that he is going!!!?"

"It looks as if he is going to take Andromeda for her first flight." Koran sighed in defeat.

"HE CAN'T DO THAT!! SHE IS TOO YOUNG TO FLY!!!!!" Nanny screamed in terror and ran to find Allura.

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"Cassie? What's wrong? Why are you so down lately?" Allura asked her best friend staring down at the two babies playing in their playpen.

"Nothing is wrong Ally. I was just thinking about Lance." Cass sighed.

"Did the two of you have a fight?"

"Lance doesn't seem to want me anymore." Cass sniffled.

"I seriously doubt that Cass, the guy is crazy about you." Allura gave her a hug.

"Then why is he avoiding me?" Cassie wailed miserably.

"When did he start avoiding you Cass?"

"He has been avoiding me for months now! He just seems so distant lately!"

"What exactly have you been saying to him?"

"I do tend to talk about the babies a lot." she whimpered.

"Cassie, the reason that Lance is being so distant towards you is because you've been pushing the subject of babies down his throat." Ally finally surmised what was wrong with her friends love life.

"But I really want a baby!" Cass pouted.

"Cassandra there are so many reasons as to why this is not the time for you to be thinking about a baby, one you aren't ready, two Keith would have Lance's head, and lastly the two of you aren't even married yet." Allura lectured her friend.

"Maybe he doesn't want to marry me or what is he hates kids!" Cassie was seriously on the verge of panicking.

"You have just got him running scared Cass. After all, even Keith turned yellow at the thought of becoming a father." Allura smiled at that particular memory.

"Your right Allura, I just wish that he would at least ask me to marry him! Where is my big brother anyway?"

"ALLURA!!!!!!!!!!" Nanny ran into the nursery and scared the babies.

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"Now Andromeda Marie Edwards, I want you to stay in your baby seat, while I take you for a little ride." Keith ordered his child.

"Da!!!!!!!!!!" Andy squealed in delight at the sight of the lit up consul.

"I mean it Dromi, stay put in your seat!" he repeated his order.

"Dada!!!" she exclaimed squirming in her seat the second that her father turned his back on her.

"Why don't you and I go find out what your Uncle Lance is up to." Keith glanced over at his baby girl only to find her free of her baby seat harness.

"ANDROMEDA MARIE EDWARDS!!! What did I tell you!!" Keith set his lion on auto pilot and reached for his child, just as she went for a brightly lit button on the lions consul.

"Da!!" she chirped happily and banged her tiny fist against the button.

"NO!!!!!! ANDY!! Don't touch that button!!!!" Keith tried to stop her, but it was to late and two stingray missiles shat towards Red Lion's lair.

Andy squealed in delight as the missiles hit their target.

"Come here you little monster." Keith growled as he buckled her safely in his lap with his safety harness.

"WHAT IN THE HELL IS GOING ON OUT THERE?!!!" Lance was not at all pleased at being shot at. "Why did you fire at me for?!" Red lion shot out of his lair and flew up next to Black Lion.

"Sorry about that Lance, I seem to have an extra crew member on board with me today." Keith grinned sheepishly as Andy let out a Da! Da!!

"That's just great buddy, but isn't she a little young to be flying without a license?"

"Andy sort of went AWOL from the nursery and has been attached to me ever since she found Me." he chuckled and kissed the cap of downy black curls on Andy's head.

"Keith Michael Edwards!! Get your butt down here now!" Allura's face appeared on the computer screen in his lion.

"She is perfectly safe Allura." Keith frowned.

"Oh really? Is that why she tried to blow Lance away with two missiles?" Ally snapped.

"That was an accident, honey. You know how Andy likes to play with brightly lit up buttons." Keith defended himself.

"Keith it is time for her nap."

"She doesn't seem sleepy to me." Keith glanced down at the sleeping baby cuddled against her chest. "You win Ally, but we are going to have to lock her up if we want to keep her away from Black Lion. After all, she already think that he's hers." Keith chuckled when Allura groaned out loud.

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Lance stalked into his quarters and didn't even notice that Cass was waiting for him." Lance? Why won't you talked to me anymore?" she asked softly.

"Why should I even try, when all that you want to talk about are the babies!! Hell you don't even have time for us anymore!!" Lance began to throw some clothes into a bag.

"Where are you going?!"

"On a little vacation and as far away from those rugrats as i can get!!" Lance snarled.

"Don't you even love me anymore?" she couldn't believe that he was leaving her.

"I don't know anymore Cassandra." Lance continued to pack. "You seem to love you nieces more than you love me."

"How can you say that!! I love you more than anything in the entire galaxy!" Cassie ran over to him and tried to get him to see reason.

'The only thing that you love about us si the thought of you and I having a baby and not about the two of us planning a life together!!" Lance snarled down at her.

"What are you saying!!?"

"I am saying that until you grow up and face the fact that you can't always have things you way and learn that certain things come before childbirth!! That I am out of here!!! If you finally come to your senses, maybe I will be there to take you back, cause princess you have no idea how a relationship is supposed to work!!!" Lance pushed her away from him, grabbed his bag and then stalked out of the room.

"No!!! Wait Lance please come back!!!" she screamed as her heart shattered into a million pieces.

Keith ran into the room as soon as he saw Lance stalking out of his quarters. "Cassie, why did Lance just leave here with his bags packed?" Keith asked his barely clothed sister, who lay crying her eyes out on her bed.

"He's gone big brother!! He said that I didn't love him anymore, then packed his stuff and left me!!" She wailed miserably.

Keith picked up her silk robe and covered her with it. "What would make him leave you like that? He would give you the moon if you asked him to."

"He thinks that I just love him because I want to have a baby." Cass sobbed into her pillow.

"Go on little sister." Keith sat down beside her.

"I have been canceling our dates and talking nonstop about your babies."

"You blew it big time kiddo. He probably went to go see Farla, who just happens to be an ex-girlfriend of his." he glanced out her window just in time to see Blue lion shoot out of the lake.

"What makes you say that?"

"Lance took Blue Lion, which is the only ship on arus that can land on Planet Leara." Keith regretted his words the second he spoke them because Cassie was crying even harder.

"Then he really doesn't love me anymore!!"

"There, there, little sister if he doesn't come back to you I'll have no choice but to kill him." Keith stood up and headed for the doorway.

"You can't do that!!" Cass stared at him in horror.

"He broke you heart Cassie and I told him that if he hurt you in any way that I would hunt him down and kill him." he left her to think about what he had just said.

"I have got to go find Lance!" Cassie changed into jeans and a t-shirt, then raced for Red Lion.

"Cass? Where are you going?" Allura chased after her.

"I have to find Lance!" she shouted.

"Cassie, there isn't any way to get to him if he went to go see Farla." Allura tried to reason with her.

"Oh no? What me." She went to activate the tram for the lions, only to find her brother standing in her way.

"You aren't going anywhere." Keith had all four Keys in his hand.

"Watch me big brother!" she shoved him out of her way and snatched the key from his hand.

"Fine, but if you get yourself into trouble don't expect me to come rescue you!" Keith snarled.

"I can take care of myself!" Cassie shouted back.

"Tell me that this isn't happening." Keith felt a major migraine coming on.

"Don't look now but we seem to be getting an alert from the Galaxy Alliance." Allura eyed the main screen.

"What now!!" Keith staked over and read the message. "It seems that Deven is still among the living and on the loose. Rand has escaped and that isn't even the best part, Lotor has finally resurfaced."

"They will all go after Cassie!" Allura realized the danger that Cassie had put herself in.

"Oh man! What have I done! Neither one of them are answering any of my hails." Keith snarled.

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"Of all the girls in the universe, I would have to fall in love with a princess." Lance muttered to himself as he entered Lera's atmosphere.

"Lance, welcome back Lady Farla is very anxious to see you again." Feron greeted him over the Com.

"Tell Farla that I can't wait to see her." Lance answered back as he landed near the Palace. Maybe, I need Farla to show me that I am doing the right thing."

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{In Rand's ship}

"So Princess Cassie and her lover had a fight." he was listening to Cass's frantic plea for Lance to talk to her. "Don't worry princess, I have plans for you." Rand grinned evilly as he plotted a course for Red Lion's location.

{In Lotor's Ship}

"So Cassandra is out here all alone looking for Lance and without big brother to protect her. It's almost too easy and I didn't even have to kidnap her. I'll show how it feels like to be paralyzed." Lotor had his Robot head in the direction of Red Lion.

{In Deven's Ship}

"How like Cassandra to jet off into space all by herself, because of

a fight with her lover. No matter, she still belongs to me and I plan to collect my prize." Like his other three cohorts he to had his battle cruiser head for Red Lion.

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{Meanwhile on Planet Lera}

"So you see Farla, I really had no choice, but to put my foot down." Lance finished his story about his relationship with Cassie.

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\_\*He came all the way to my planet just to CRY ON MY SHOULDER ABOUT CASSIE!!!\*\_ " Are you trying to tell me that you came all the way to Lera just to gripe to me about Princess Cassandra of Ziare?" she sighed in misery and utter disappointment.

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\_\*What's wrong with Farla?\*\_ " You are the only one that seems to always understand how I'm feeling." Lance began to pace the room.

"Lance, do you love Cassie?" she asked softly desperately trying to keep the hurt and pain that she was feeling from showing in her voice.

"I love her more than anything in the entire galaxy."

"Then what exactly is the problem?" She frowned at him.

"Just one major problem she wants to have a baby." Lance quit pacing and slumped down into a sofa.

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\_\*Well you wanted to know.\*\_ Farla took a deep breath to calm her shattered emotions and then asked her next question. "Why the big hurry to have a baby?"

"Ally and Keith have these three adorable nine month old baby girls and seeing as Cassie is their Aunt, she seems to have developed a longing for a child of her own." Lance was so frustrated that he all but snarled out his answer to her question.

"So? What is wrong with that? It is perfectly natural for her to want a child of her own." Farla sat down beside him.

"What's wrong? Well let's see one she and I are not married yet, two Keith would rip me in half, and lastly she has no idea what she is getting herself into!" Lance snarled.

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\_\*Ah! Big brave Lance is scared out of his mind!\*\_ "In other words you are scared to death about becoming a father." Farla smiled at him.

"Terrified." he admitted sheepishly.

"Lance you would make a wonderful father. Exactly how serious are you and Cassie? Is there good reason as to why you are panicking like this?" Farla's smile turned to a frown the second that she saw Lance blush crimson. "Well?"

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\_\*How do I get myself into these situations!\*\_ "Well Farla, the truth is that we've been together since before Allura had the babies."

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\_\*!\*\_ "I'm surprised that the two of you aren't parents yet." she snapped at him.

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\_\*Oh Boy!\*\_ "We are adults Farla and I would never put Cass into a situation that neither of us are ready for." Lance defended himself.

"What makes you think that she isn't pregnant now? Nothing is full proof Lance." she challenged.

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\_\*!\* \_" Well I....." Lance's face blushed an even brighter shade of red.

"Maybe she's acting the way she is because of a mood swing?"

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\_\*Oh MY GOD!\*\_ " Hell!!! I left her bawling her eyes out in our room! There is no telling what she'll do!" Lance was trying not to panic.

"If she loves you, then she will come after you. I mean that is what I would do." she whimpered softly.

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\_\*Is she crying?\*\_ "Enough about me, I want to hear all about you and Feron." Lance grinned at her.

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\_\*I will murder the jerk!\*\_ "What does that have to do with you and Cassie?!" she glared up at him with her eyes brimming with tears.

\*Oh man! How could I be so blind!\* "I'm sorry Farla. Here I am griping to you about Cass and here you are dying inside because you still think that you are in love with me." Lance tried to pull her into his arms.

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\_ \*The nerve of him!!\*\_ "How dare you come here, cry on my shoulder and after all that we have been through together not have the courtesy to realize my feeling for you!!!!!!" she pushed him away from her.

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\_ \*I am so sorry Farla\*\_ "Farla, you will always have a place in my heart, but I love Cass and I'm sorry that you had to find out like this." Lance pulled her into his arms and gave her a hug.

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\_ \*And I love Feron\*\_ "If you truly love her then go to her and always listen to what she is telling you. That way you will always understand what she is feeling." Farla hugged him back and kissed him on the cheek just as Feron walked into the room.

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\_ \*That's it I will rip him in half!!\*\_ Feron glared murderously at the man holding the woman that held his heart. " Sorry to disturb you my lady, but Lt. Commander Anderson has an urgent message from Arus." his tone was as cold as an arctic breeze.

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\_ \*He's jealous! Maybe he is worthy of her after all!\*\_ "Thanks Feron, but let me give you this little warning. If you break her heart or hurt her in any way, I will find you and kill you." Lance stared him eye to eye, before kissing Farla on the cheek goodbye. " Come visit Arus sometime, I will send you an invitation to the wedding." He walked past a now beaming Feron.

"No problem lance, I love Farla and plan on never letting her out of my sight." he pulled Farla into his arms for a nice long kiss.

"Love, ya gotta love it." Lance chuckled to himself before seeing what Keith wanted now. "Lance here, what was so urgent that you had to interrupt me and Farla?" Lance joked with Keith, but then changed his mind when Keith roared murderously at him from the screen.

"If you value your life, you had better be kidding!!!!!!" Keith snarled.

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\_ \*Now what's wrong?\*\_ "Keith, you know very well that I worship the ground that Cass walks on and that I love her from here to eternity. Now what's the big emergency?"

"Rand escaped, Deven isn't dead, and Lotor has fully recovered and is on the lose. That isn't even the best part, Cass is out in your Lion searching for you!!" Keith roared.

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\_!\* \_"CASS IS WHERE!? Those goons want her dead or alive!" Lance roared back.

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\_\*I Know that you idiot!!\*\_ "If anything happens to her I will take it out of your hide!"

"I'm on it Keith. I will find Cass."

"That is not good enough, so the rest of the team is on the way."

"No way Keith, this is my fight and I am going to handle it on my own!!"

"You have eight hours then I come after both of you."

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Cassie spotted another ship that was extremely close to her location." Lance? Is that you?" she shouted into her Com.

"No princess it's not your fly boy." Rand appeared behind her pilot seat in the lion.

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\_\*Help!\*\_ "You are suppose to be locked up in a cell!" she screamed in terror.

"I escaped." he snarled down at her as he snatched her out of her seat.

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\_\*Why do these things always have to happen to me!!\*\_ "Let go of me you jerk!" she screamed at him as she tried desperately to free herself from him so that she could hit her emergency beacon.

"Come quietly and I won't have to hurt you." he growled.

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\_\*Like hell you will!!\*\_ "Sure no problem Rand, I'll come quietly she spat in his face nailing him in the groin with her knee. "Like hell I will!!" she then slammed her fist into his face.

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\_\* You little bitch!!\*\_ "have it your way brat!!" he pulled out a hydro-syringe and gave her a shot.

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\_!\* \_"Ow! That hurt you jerk!!" she screamed at him in fury," What was that.....I feel so weird." she giggled.

"Now Cassie, are you going to be good and come quietly?"

"Sure Rand, whatever you say." she giggled leaning against him so that she wouldn't fall down.

"I kind of like you at my mercy." Rand noticed that there was a light blinking on the consul. "Cass? Did you activate the emergency homing beacon on you lion?"

"Uh huh." she giggled. "My brother and Lance will be coming to rescue me."

"Then we will be gone before they get here." He eyed her Voltron force uniform and frowned. "Cass? Does your uniform have a tracer in it?"

She nodded her head in response.

"Take it off." he ordered.

"No problem." she smiled stripping off the protective armor until all that she was wearing were her jeans and her T-shirt.

Rand then hit a button on a device on his wrist and they were beamed to his ship.

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{A few minutes later}

"Now at last I will have her at my mercy." Lotor growled as his battle cruiser pulled up to Red Lion.

"Sire, there are no life reading on board Red Lion." one of the robot's reported.

"What do you mean that there is no one on board!!" Lotor snarled in fury slicing the robots head off with his laser sword.

"Our scan shows one discarded uniform, but no human life form in it." Another robot dared to give Lotor another report.

"So, someone got to her first eh? Search for any ships in this quadrant!!" Lotor snarled.

"There are currently three ships in this area."

"Which one is leaving this quadrant?"

"There is only one sire."

"Plot a course for that ship! I want my revenge!" Lotor snarled.

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{Five minutes after that}

"Sire, we have Red lion on screen." Captain Bailey reported to his prince.

"Excellent Captain, I will go fetch her myself." Deven was then beamed over to the lion, but found no one there. "Where the Hell is she!!? Search the quadrant for any ships leaving this sector! Then plot an intercept course! I want my princess!" Deven roared in fury.

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{about 45minutes after that}

Lance pulled Blue lion up next to Red lion. "Cassie? It's Lance are you okay?" he all but shouted into his Com, but he received no answer to his hale.

\*Damn this is not good!\* Lance prayed that she was ignoring him because she was still furious with him. "I guess that I had better suit up and go get her the hard way." he muttered to himself as he prepared to do a space walk to the lion.

"Cassie?" he called out softly, but found that the lion was devoid of its passenger. "NO!!!" he felt like tearing something in half when he found her discarded uniform. He knew now that she had been taken against her will.

"Lance!!! Damnit answer me!!" Keith ordered him through the Com.

"She's gone Keith! They took her!! I don't know which one it was, but they drugged her and her she isn't even in her armor!!" Lance picked up the discarded hydro-syringe and crushed it in his gloved fist.

"Hang in there buddy, we are almost there." Keith growled.

"I can't wait for you and the others to get here! I have to find her and I have to find her now!!!" lance shut off his Com, sat in the pilot seat of his lion and went in search of his love.

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\_\*Please let her be okay\*\_ He prayed silently

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{Meanwhile in one of Rand's haunts}

Rand carried his prisoner into one of his old bases." Now Princess Cassandra, what shall I do to you first." He all but devoured her with his eyes.

"Anything that you want, handsome." she was still under the effects of the drug and clearly at his mercy, as he let her slide down against his body.

"Then I will just take what I want." he claimed her mouth with his own, as his hands wandered up the front of her T-shirt.

"Oh!! My!!..." she moaned as he continued to grope her body.

"So, you like what I'm doing to you." Rand growled against her

throat.

"Oh my god! I'm gonna be....!" she gasped for air as the drug began to wear off.

"One very happy princess." he growled against her mouth and started to pull off her T-shirt.

"No!! I am going to be sick!!" she pushed him away from her and ran out of the room.

"GET BACK HERE CASSIE!!" Rand wasn't at all with what she had just told him.

"Where am I?" she gagged as she lost what was left in her stomach.

"Cassie, come out here. I think that I have something that will make you feel better." Rand walked into the other room and headed for the lavatory.

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_ *Oh...my head really hurts! What happened? Where did my v-force armor go? Who undressed me!!?*_ She was so confused and light headed from the drug that Rand had given her.

"Cassie, don't be afraid, I'm not going to hurt you." he was almost at the open door way of the bathroom.

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_ *No!!*_ "Who's there?!!! You aren't lance!!" she screamed and hit the control on the wall that closed and locked the heavy steel bathroom door.

"OPEN THIS DOOR CASSANDA!!!" Rand began to pound his fists against the heavy steel door.

"NO!! Go away and leave me alone!!" she shouted back at him, wincing when her voice caused her head to pound even more.

"GET OUT HERE OR I WILL SLICE THE DOOR IN TWO!!!!!!"

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_ *OH GOD!! NOW I REMEMBER WHOSE VOICE THAT IS!!! IT'S RAND!!*_ "Not in this lifetime Rand!!" she shouted back.

"So, you've finally come out of the drugs affects. No matter I like you feisty anyway." Rand began to slice into the steel door with his laser sword.

"STAY WAY FROM ME YOU MOSTER!!!"

"Monster? You seemed to be very willing five minutes ago." Rand snarled down at her as he continued to destroy the door.

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*OH!! GOD!!* Cassie kicked the door in before he had a chance to get to her.

"You will pay dearly for that! Bitch!" he roared as he threw the pieces of steel door off him.

"How dare you!!" she tried to kick him in the face.

"Go ahead sweetheart take your best shot." Rand was blocking her move for move.

"You men are all alike!!" she screamed at him and finally managed to slam a kick into his solar plexus making him stumble backwards.

"You are so dead!!" Rand came at her with his ignited laser sword.

"Hey no fair!!"

"I don't fight fair!" he lunged at her again and this time the blade managed to graze the side of her arm.

"OW!!!!!!!!!!!!!!" she screamed in agony as she clutched at her injured arm.

"Let's see what else I can damage!" he had her backed against the wall.

"Not while I can still fight!" she screamed at him and kicking him in the groin.

"THAT'S TWICE CASS!!!" he roared in fury

"Leave me alone!!" she whirled around and kicked him across the face.

"YOU BROKE MY NOSE!!!" he was ready to tear her in half, but she had ran from the room in terror.

Cass raced from the room, but then found herself in even more trouble. She had ran right into Lotor's arms! "Not so fast Cass, you are mine now!"

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*Oh! Why do these things always seem to happen to me!* She did the only real move that she knew could bring any guy to his knees and kneed him. She left him in agony, as she ran outside to find some means of escape. "Now what!" she looked up just in time to see a huge cruiser hovering above her in the sky.

"I really am beginning to tire of all of this!" she muttered to herself as she raced for Rand's shuttlecraft. "Come on you stupid piece of junk start!!" she screamed in frustration pounding her fists against the consul.

"Yes!!" she cried out in relief when all the lights lit up in the shuttle and the engines began powering up.

"Now how do you fly this thing!" she muttered as the shuttle lifted off the ground.

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{on Deven's ship}

"Sire, the princess is in that shuttle craft."

"Excellent, lock onto her ship and bring her to me." Deven ordered his men. "I will be in the shuttle bay to collect my prize." he informed them as he left the bridge to await the arrival of the shuttle.

Meanwhile, Cassie was trying to figure out how to operate the shuttle's star-drives. "Now let's see this lever should activate the star drive system." she prayed that she was right, because the cruiser was going to have a lock on her shuttle at any second.

"We have a lock on the shuttle, Captain."

"Activate the tractor beam at once." the captain ordered just as Cassie's shuttle shot away from the base.

"Well?!!"

"She's gone your highness."

"What do you mean that she's gone!!!"

"She left the base before we could activate our tractor beam."

"Well, are we tracking her!!!?"

Yes sire, but there is one problem. We have four ships coming from the western sector and one ship coming at us from the southern sector."

"Correct me if I'm wrong captain, but are four of them in route from Arus and the other in route from Lera?!" Deven roared.

"That would be correct, sire."

"Which one is the princess heading for?"

"She is heading for the ship coming from Lera."

"How far are the others?"

"The others have changed direction and are heading straight for her shuttle."

Deven stalked onto the main bridge, "Excellent, we will kill six pests with one blast." he didn't have time to order the ship to pursue Cassie, because they were now under attack from Rand's base and from Lotor's ship.

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"Somebody please answer me!!" Cass wailed into the shuttles Com, but received nothing but static. "It figures!! The damn Com is broken!!" she muttered in defeat.

"Cassie?" a voice could be heard over the static.

"Lance?!"

"Thank god! Hang on baby, I am almost there." he tried to reassure her that everthing was going to be all right.

"Hurry Lance, all three of those creeps are after me!!"

"Who is after you honey?"

"Rand, Lotor and some other creep." she whimpered.

"Easy angel, no one is after you. They haven't even left Rand's base."

"Please come get me Lance."

Red lion pulled up next to her shuttle. "I'm right beside you, angel." Lance set Red lion on autopilot and went to get his love.

"Lance, I'm not wearing my armor and this shuttle had not space suit in it." she sobbed into the Com, she was on the verge of losing it.

"One space suit coming right up." Lance grabbed the extra gear and then went to go get her.

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*Lance!* "Lance!" she all but tackled him the second she saw him.

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*Cassie!* "Yeah, it's me Cass." he hugged her fiercely only to stare at her in surprise when she cried out in pain. "Cass?"

"My arm!" she grabbed it in agony.

Lance glanced down and got a good look at the long gash that went from her shoulder to her elbow. "Who did this to you!" he snarled angrily as he tended to the wound.

"I got it when I escaped from Rand's base." she winced in pain when he pulled the T-shirt up over her head. "What are you doing?" she frowned at him as he dug into his Med kit.

"Fixing you arm. Now stand still." he pulled out a hydro-syringe and then loaded it with a painkiller.

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*Not Again!!* "Lance! Get that away from me!" she tried to wriggle out of his arms.

"Easy angel, it will help ease some of the pain."

"I don't like shot's!" she glared at him.

"Tough! Now don't move!" he ordered her.

"Let me go or I'll deck you!" she was not about to get another shot, not even for her own good.

"Try it Cass, I am slowly running out of patience with you! do you really want me any angrier than I am now!" he went to give her the pain killer.

"I warned you!" she socked him one in the eye.

"That does it Cassandra Elizabeth-Marie!!" he picked up a vial of anti-biotic and poured it over the gash.

"OW!!!!!!!" she wailed in agony it felt like fire was shooting up her arm.

"You asked for it!" he growled at her as he gave her the shot, before covering the gash with pressure bandage after pressure bandage" what exactly happened between you and Rand?! " he eyed the bruises along her collar bone and lost it. "Why didn't you at least wear something under your bloody T-shirt!!?"

"He drugged me Lance! I don't know what happened and the only reason that I am not wearing a bra is because I was in too much of a hurry to get to you!!!" she snarled at him in sheer frustration.

"Put on your space suit and we will get out of here" he ordered in a harsh voice.

Cassie was having enough trouble putting her T-shirt back on." i can't do this by myself! I am injured or don't you even care anymore!" she broke down into tears.

"I'm so sorry honey, this is all my fault. It just really burns me to think of him with his hands all over you!" he carefully put the T-shirt back on her and then helped her get into the space suit.

"How do you think I feel about all of this!" she sobbed as he carried her from the shuttle to the lion.

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*I will kill him!* "It's okay, angel." he growled into her hair before setting her down into the co-pilots seat.

Cassie spotted the ships heading for them and began to panic. "They've found me!" she wailed in terror.

"Easy Cass, it's just your big brother and the rest of the team." Lance reassured her with a kiss as he strapped her into the seat with the safety harness.

"Black lion to Red lion, is everything okay in there?"

"Sure buddy everything is fine." he answered Keith as if everything was fine.

"Cass?"

"Can we go home now?" she whimpered.

"Sure kiddo, lets go home." Keith sighed in relief when he heard her voice over the com.

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{A few hours later back home on Arus}

Lance glanced over at Cassie and found her asleep in her seat. "Cass, wake up angel, we're home." he gave her shoulder a gentle shake, but she wasn't waking up.

Lance switched on the inside lights and saw that Cass was white as a sheet and the bandages on her arm were completely soaked with blood. "Please don't do this to me Cass." he pleaded with her freed her from the harness. " I haven't even asked you to marry me yet." he picked her up in his arms and set her in his lap, so that the tram could take them both to the castle.

Keith was pacing the control room floor as he waited for them to arrive at the castle. " What is keeping those two?"

Lance raced down the Castle's corridors with Cass in his arms," Out of my way!" he shouted at anyone in his path.

Keith and Allura raced out into the corridor to see what was wrong with Lance," Look at the floor!" Allura panicked when she saw the drops of blood on the floor.

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\_\*She's hurt!\*\_ "It's blood! My sister is bleeding!" Keith grabbed Allura by the arm and raced for the Med-wing.

"Lance is a dead man." Sheena, Hunk and Pidge stated before chasing after their friends.

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Dr. Steven's went to work on saving Cass's life. " She has lost a great deal of blood, not even the best pressure bandage can control the bleeding from that long of a gash." Cass was given a blood transfusion while the Doc patched up her arm.

"Lance, either you explain why she is bleeding or i will rip you in half!" Keith grabbed Lance by the throat and lifted him off his feet.

"She got hurt escaping from Rand." lance gasped for air.

"You should have stitched her arm!" Keith snarled at him before letting him go.

"Yeah right and end up with two black eyes! i don't think so!" he growled hoarsely glaring at him with his good eye. " It's not funny people! this is what my babe does when she sees a needle!" lance snarled.

"How is she Doc? Is she going to be okay?" Keith was desperate to know if his sis was going to be okay or not.

"She'll be fine in a few days, as long as she stays in bed and gets complete bed rest." the doc answered as he bandaged her arm.

"Then why is she still on oxygen!?" lance grabbed the Doc by the throat as soon as he stepped away from Cass's bed side.

"It's only a precaution!" the poor doctor wheezed as he gasped in air.

"Lance let the poor man go!!" Allura snapped.

"Sorry Doc, I guess that I am kind of on edge." he let the doctor go.

"SSâ€|okay." Doctor Steven's croaked hoarsely and the beat a hasty retreat out of the room.

"Way to go Lance, strangle the doctor, who is helping the woman that you love!" Keith glared over at his friend who was now sitting next to the bed holding Cass's hand.

"What did you expect darling, after all he is head over heels in love with your sister." Allura frowned at her husband.

"If he is so in love with my sister, then why hasn't he asked her to marry him yet?" Keith snapped back.

"She is constantly cooing over her nieces and hasn't been around me for nearly nine months! That is why I haven't asked her yet!" Lance snarled at Keith.

"Are you blaming this all on my babies!!?" Keith had the serious urge to rip his friend in two.

"That is enough out of both of you! Let's go Keith, he needs to be with Cass." she dragged her husband from the room.

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\_\*Finally!\*\_ "Cassie, wake up beautiful." lance placed a kiss on her palm, but she did not open her eyes." Come on Cass, I am sorry that all of this had to happen to you, but I will make it up to you if only you would please open your eyes." still she did not move.

"Lance?" Myria stood in the doorway with Andy in her arms.

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\_\*Not now Myria!\*\_ "Myr, I don't think that this is the place for a nine month old baby." he protested when Myria placed Andy into his

arms. "Look kiddo I really don't have time for..." he started to protest some more, but Andy had begun to crawl up his chest where she then planted a big wet slobbery kiss on his cheek.

"Mine!" she proclaimed happily and kissed his cheek again, her pudgy arms wrapped around his neck and she hugged him.

"I think that she has a crush on you Lance." Myria giggled and then left the room.

"Hey!! Myria wait!! What am I suppose to do with her!" he groaned when the baby began to pat his cheek with her hand. " Hey kiddo, you don't want your Aunt Cassie to catch you attacking me do you?" he eyed the tiny bundle of energy in his arms with wary eyes.

"Jes." she babbled as she climbed even higher on his chest.

"Hey kid, do you like Black lion?" he asked trying to distract her from climbing all over him.

"Mine!" she nodded and pulled out a little toy replica of Black Lion from her pocket.

"Your daddy sure does know how to compromise." he laughed as he lifted her high into the air, causing the baby to squeal in delight.

"Wee!!" she giggled as lance walked around the room making airplane noises.

"Your cute Andromeda, how about another kiss for your Uncle Lance." he chuckled as she kissed him again, before snuggling in his arms and drifting off to sleep.

"That's a first." he chuckled softly as he sat back down in the chair next to Cass's bed. Andy was continently snoozing against his shoulder.

"Hey mister macho, am I seeing things or is there a baby sleeping in your arms." Cass whispered softly as she slowly opened her eyes.

"Your awake." he whispered softly so he wouldn't wake the baby who was still now snoring continently in his arms.

"What happened?" she whispered.

"You almost bled to death, because you wouldn't let me treat your arm, when I rescued you." he growled hoarsely giving her an I told you so glare.

"Sorry, but needles make me panic." she yawned sleepily.

"Don't remind me." he winced as he tried to open his injured eye that was still swollen shut and turning a nice shade of black in blue.

"Did I do that?" she asked innocently.

"Yes brat, now if you'll excuse me, we have a date with a crib." he

leaned over and gave her a kiss.

"Oh, how will I ever live it down! Out maneuvered by a nine month old baby." she yawned sleepily.

Lance left Cassie to rest, while he took Andy back to her nursery. " You know what kid, we make the perfect team." he whispered down at Andy as he entered the nursery.

"Lance? How did you end up with Dromi asleep on your arms?" Keith gaped at him in shock as Lance put Andy down in her crib, covered her up with a blanket and kissed her downy hared head. " Sleep tight angel, i love you." he whispered softly so that Keith would not hear him.

"Myria brought her to me and she has been with me ever since." he shrugged his shoulders as if it were no big deal. Then left to go back and watch over Cass.

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